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REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated July 25, 2006. Claims 1, 3, 4, 8 and 16. No new matter has been inserted. Claims 1-20 remain pending in the application. Applicant respectfully submits the following differences between the claimed invention and the cited references: (1) the air cells are stacked vertically within each inner tube segment; (2) coaxial air inlet valve for each inner tube segment having separate air tubes, with each air tube in communication with a specific air cell of the tube segment, thus allowing each separate air cell to be jointly and simultaneously, but independently, filled with air; (3) split rims - have slots in each half to allow the air valves to be combed into the slots and held in place; (4) split rims bolted together; (5) split rim slots accommodate the radial air filler valve pattern; and (6) split rims can be installed onto any currently commercially available tire

Applicant also incorporates by reference its previous arguments with respect to the cited references.

Applicant has completely responded to the Office Action dated July 25, 2006. Favorable Action is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional charges, including extension of time, please bill our Deposit Account No. 503180.

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